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REPLY TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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This is in reply to the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) mailed November 20, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

Applicants appreciate the filing date of July 6, 2001, granted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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On August 23, 2001, a Notice to File Missing Parts was mailed. In that Notice, the Patent Office made a requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.84 that substitute drawings be filed to comply with the proper margins.

Applicants responded on October 23, 2001, filing 11 sheets of substitute drawings with the proper margins. When the application was filed on July 6, 2001, there were a total of 15 sheets of drawings (see enclosed date-stamped post card as evidence of the 15 sheets of drawings), including Figures 1, 8,

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and 13. However, when Applicants responded to the August 23, 2001, Notice, Applicants submitted only 11 sheets of substitute drawings in response to the August 23, 2001, Notice to File Missing Parts.

On November 20, 2001, a Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) was mailed, stating that Figures 1, 8, and 13 had been omitted from the application. As the USPTO was in receipt of 15 sheets of drawings, see attached date-stamped post card as evidence, to include Figures 1, 8, and 13, these figures were not re-submitted on October 23, 2001.

Therefore, in response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed November 20, 2001, Applicants enclose 15 sheets of substitute drawings which comply with the proper margin requirements and a petition fee of \$130.00, required by the USPTO, which is to be refunded if it is determined that the items were received by the USPTO.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees

required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments: 15 Sheets of Substitute Drawings
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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 10/23/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 08/23/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 1,8,13 described in the specification.

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (*i.e.*, the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete

sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



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Papers Filed herewith on: July 6, 2001
DOCKET NO.: 3672-01248 ATTY.: NAKM
APPLICANT(S): THOMPSON, Michael O. et al.
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- ☒ New Application with Transmittal Letter
☒ Utility ☐ Design ☐ CIP ☐ PCT ☐ Provisional
☐ Filing Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) ☐ CONT ☐ DIV
☐ Filing Under 37 CFR 1.53(d) (CPA)
☐ Filing Under 37 CFR 1.114(RCE)
☒ Specification Consisting of: 30 pages
☐ Combined Declaration & Power of Attorney
☐ Assignment / Cover Letter
☐ Letter to Official Draftsman
☒ Drawings 15 Sheets ☒ Formal ☐ Informal ☐ Red-Ink
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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the papers filed as
indicated in connection with the above identified case.
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